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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claim:

28. (New) A method for forwarding packets to a network, comprising the steps of:  
providing a packet forwarding system with a memory, said packet forwarding system  
being connected to the network;  
creating a packet at the packet forwarding system and storing the packet in the memory  
of the packet forwarding system;  
attempting to forward the packet stored in the memory to the network;

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